

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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**Measures Introduced:** Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 574-579. Page S3369

**Nomination Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination of Miguel A. Estrada, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, at 2 p.m., on Monday, March 10, 2003. Page S3373

**Partial Birth Abortion Ban—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the time from 5 pm until 6 pm be equally divided between Senator Santorum or his designee, and the Minority Leader or his designee, with respect to the consideration of S. 3, to prohibit the procedure commonly known as partial-birth abortion on Monday, March 10, 2003. Page S3373

#### APPOINTMENTS:

**President's Export Council:** The Chair, pursuant to Executive Order 12131, appointed the following Members to the President's Export Council: Senators Cornyn and Talent. Page S3373

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Humberto S. Garcia, of Puerto Rico, to be United States Attorney for the District of Puerto Rico for the term of four years.

Eugene James Corcoran, of New York, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of New York for the term of four years.

Stephen A. Cambone, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence. (New Position)  
1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.  
1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

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**Adjournment:** Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 1:47 p.m., until 2 p.m., on Monday, March 10, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3374.)

### Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will next meet at noon on Monday, March 10, 2003.

### Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

### Joint Meetings

#### EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

**Joint Economic Committee:** Committee concluded hearings to examine the employment situation, focusing on U.S. labor markets, unemployment benefits, and the President's proposal for re-employment accounts, after receiving testimony from Kathleen P. Utgoff, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Mason Bishop, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Employment

and Training, both of the Department of Labor; and Donald O. Parsons, George Washington University, and Harry J. Holzer, Georgetown University, both of Washington, D.C.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D158)

H.J. Res. 19, recognizing the 92d birthday of Ronald Reagan. Signed on March 6, 2003. (Public Law 108-9)

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

### Week of March 10 through March 15, 2003

#### Senate Chamber

On Monday, at 2 p.m., will resume consideration of the nomination of Miguel A. Estrada, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit; at 5 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of S. 3, to prohibit the procedure commonly known as partial-birth abortion; and at 6 p.m., Senate will consider and vote on the nomination of Gregory L. Frost, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio.

During the balance of the week, Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Miguel A. Estrada (listed-above), and may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business.

#### Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

*Committee on Appropriations:* March 11, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine Medicare outlier payments to hospitals, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

March 12, Subcommittee on District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the District of Columbia Courts, Court Services, and the Offender Supervision Agency, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

March 12, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold closed hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for defense programs, focusing on worldwide threats to the United States, 10 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

March 12, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Energy Office of Energy and Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Office of Science, and the Office of Nuclear Energy Science and Technology, 2:30 p.m., SD-124.

March 13, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., SD-138.

*Committee on Armed Services:* March 11, Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine active and re-

serve military and civilian personnel programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2004, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

March 12, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine national security space programs and management in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2004, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

March 12, Subcommittee on Airland, to hold hearings to examine Army transformation in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2004 and the Future Years Defense Program, 3 p.m., SR-232A.

March 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine military strategy and operational requirements in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2004 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

March 13, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Department of Defense, focusing on the impacts of environmental laws on readiness and the related Administration legislative proposal, 2 p.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* March 13, to hold hearings to examine the Administration's proposed Fiscal Year 2004 Budget for the Federal Transit Administration, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* March 11, Subcommittee on Aviation, to hold hearings to examine existing federal programs and new proposals that promote air service to small and rural communities, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

March 12, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, and Fisheries, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2004 for the Coast Guard and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

March 13, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* March 11, to hold hearings to examine oil, gas, hydrogen, and conservation, focusing on federal programs for energy efficiency and conservation, 10 a.m., SD-366.

March 12, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-366.

March 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the impact of fires in 2002 and then look forward to the potential 2003 fire season, 10 a.m., SD-366.

March 13, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold oversight hearings to examine the designation and management of National Heritage Areas, including criteria and procedures for designating heritage areas, the potential impact of heritage areas on private lands and communities, federal and non-federal costs of managing heritage areas, and methods of monitoring and measuring the success of heritage areas, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* March 13, Subcommittee on Clean Air, Climate Change, and Nuclear Safety, to hold oversight hearings to examine the implementation of the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program, and Conformity programs, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* March 11, to hold hearings to examine defined benefit pension plans, 10 a.m., SD-215.

March 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine welfare reform, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* March 11, to hold hearings to examine reconstruction issues with respect to Iraq, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

March 12, Full Committee, business meeting to consider convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and on Capital Gains, signed at London on July 24, 2001, together with an Exchange of Notes, as amended by the Protocol signed at Washington on July 19, 2002 (the "Convention") (Treaty Doc. 107-19), protocol Amending the Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Australia for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income, signed at Canberra on September 27, 2001 (the "Protocol") (Treaty Doc. 107-20), and second Additional Protocol that Modifies the Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Mexican States for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income, signed at Mexico City on November 26, 2002 (Treaty Doc. 108-03), 11:30 a.m., SD-419.

March 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine regional implications of the changing nuclear equation on the Korean Peninsula, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* March 12, to hold hearings to examine Indian health legislation, 10 a.m., SR-485.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* March 12, Subcommittee on Immigration, with the Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information, to hold joint hearings to examine border technology, focusing on keeping terrorists out of the United States, 10 a.m., SD-226.

March 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of James V. Selna, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Philip P. Simon, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Indiana, Theresa Lazar Springmann, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Indiana, Mary Ellen Coster Williams, of Maryland, and Victor J. Wolski, of Virginia, both to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, Ricardo H. Hinojosa, of Texas, and Michael E. Horowitz, of Maryland, both to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission, and Cormac J. Carney, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, 2 p.m., SD-226.

March 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Priscilla Richman Owen, of Texas, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* March 12, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine a legislative presentation of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 10 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

March 13, Full Committee, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine legislative presentations of the Retired Enlisted Association, Gold Star Wives of America, the Fleet Reserve Association, and the Air Force Sergeants Association, 10 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* March 11, to hold closed hearings to examine intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

March 13, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

*Special Committee on Aging:* March 10, to hold hearings to examine America's health care system, 2 p.m., SD-628.

March 11, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine aging, focusing on fitness and nutrition, 10 a.m., SD-628.

## House Chamber

To be announced.

## House Committees

*Committee on Appropriations,* March 11, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on Corporation for Public Broadcasting, 10:15 a.m., and to continue on Corporation for National and Community Services, 11:15 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies, on Food Safety and Inspection Service, 9:30 a.m., and on Marketing and Regulatory Programs, 1:30 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Defense, on Fiscal Year 2004 Army Posture, 2212 Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Interior, on Bureau of Indian Affairs and Office of Special Trustee for American Indians, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on Department of Education-Panel: "No Child Left Behind Act" program, 10:15 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Military Construction, on Pacific Command Military Construction, 10 a.m., B-300 Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Transportation and Treasury, and Independent Agencies, on Inspector General, Department of Treasury, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies, on National Resources Conservation Service, 9:30 a.m., and on Research, Education and Economics, 1:30 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, and State and The Judiciary, and Related Agencies, on SEC, 2 p.m., H-309 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Defense, executive, on U.S. Northern Command, 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

March 13, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on Department of Energy-Science, Nuclear Energy, and Renewable Energy, 10 a.m., 2362B Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs, on Secretary of State, 10:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Interior and Related Agencies, on National Endowment for the Arts, and National Endowment for the Humanities, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on Department of Education-Panel: "Special Education and Vocational Education" program, 10:15 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Subcommittee on Transportation and Treasury, and Independent Agencies, on Inspector General, Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on VA and HUD, and Independent Agencies, on Council on Environmental Quality, 10 a.m., and on Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, 11 a.m., H-143 Capitol.

*Committee on Armed Services*, March 12 and 13, to continue hearings on the fiscal year 2004 national defense authorization budget request, 10 a.m., and 2 p.m., on March 12 and 8 a.m., on March 13, 2118 Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, hearing on the fiscal year 2004 national defense authorization budget request, 5 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Total Force, hearing on patron and industry perspectives on military exchanges, commissaries, and morale, welfare and recreation programs, 5 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing on environmental legislative proposals, 10:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, hearing on force protection policy, with emphasis on the role of the Department of Defense and the National Guard in homeland security, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Total Force, hearing on the Department of Defense total force transformation and overview of the fiscal year 2004 military personnel budget request, 3 p.m., 2216 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget*, March 12, to mark up the Budget Resolution for Fiscal Year 2004, 10:30 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, March 11, Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness, hearing on "Workforce Investment and Rehabilitation Acts: Improving Services and Empowering Individuals," 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Select Education, hearing on "Recent Improvements of Financial Management Practices at the U.S. Department of Education," 2 p.m., 2261 Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on H.R. 1119, Family Time Flexibility Act, 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Education Reform, hearing on "IDEA, Focusing on Improving Results for Children and Disabilities," 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

May 13, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on H.R. 660, Small Business Health Fairness Act of 2003, 1 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, March 12 and 13, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, to continue hearings on "Comprehensive National Energy Policy," 2:30 p.m., 2322 Rayburn on March 12 and 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn on March 13.

March 12, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on "Medicaid Today: The States' Perspective," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to continue hearings on the "Procurement and Property Mismanagement and Theft at Los Alamos National Laboratory, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, March 11, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Progress Since 9/11: The Effectiveness of U.S. Anti-Terrorist Financing Efforts," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "Mutual Fund Industry Practices and their Effect on Individual Investors," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform*, March 10, Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, hearing entitled "Emerging Threats: Assessing Public Safety and Security Measures at Nuclear Power Facilities," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

March 11, Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs, hearing entitled "How to Improve Regulatory Accounting: Costs, Benefits, and Impacts on Federal Regulations," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

March 12, full Committee, hearing entitled "Energy Efficiency Improvements in Federal Buildings and Vehicles," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

March 13, hearing entitled "Stumbling onto Smut: The Alarming Ease of Access to Pornography on Peer-to-Peer Networks," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, oversight hearing entitled "Federal E-Government Initiatives: Are We Headed In the Right Direction?" 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, March 11, Subcommittee on Africa, hearing on Saving the Congo Basin: The Stakes, The Plan, 2:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 12, full Committee, to mark up the following: H. Res. 68, requesting the President to transmit to the House of Representatives not later than 14 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution documents in the President's possession relating to Iraq's declaration on its weapons of mass destruction that was provided to the United Nations on December 7, 2002; and the United States Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Malaria and Tuberculosis Act of 2003, 10:15 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Europe, hearing on United States Priorities in Europe, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing on the Middle East Partnership Initiative: Promoting Democratization in a Troubled Region, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, March 11, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing and mark up of the following bills: H.R. 1104, Child Abduction Prevention Act; and H.R. 1161, Child Obscenity and Pornography Prevention Act, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

March 12, full Committee, to mark up the following: H. Res. 132, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Ninth Circuit of Appeals ruling in *Newdow v. United States Congress* is inconsistent with the Supreme Court's interpretation of the first amendment and should be overturned; and H.R. 975, Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on the "International Copyright Piracy: Links to Organized Crime and Terrorism," 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, March 12, hearing on H.R. 39, Arctic Coastal Plain Domestic Energy Security Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Science*, March 12, hearing on Aerospace Commission Report and NASA Workforce, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Environment, Technology, and Standards, hearing on Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia: Strengthening the Science, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, March 11, hearing entitled "RESPA Reform and the Economic Effects on Small Business," 3 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, March 12, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on Authorization of the Federal Aviation Administration and the Aviation Programs: Commercial Aviation, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, to meet for organizational purposes, and to hold an oversight hearing on the Administration's Fiscal Year 2004 Budgets for the U.S. Coast Guard and the Federal Maritime Commission, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Highways, Transit and Pipelines, oversight hearing on Reauthorization of Federal Highway and Transit Programs: What are the needs, and how to meet those needs, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, March 11, to continue hearings on the Administration's Economic Growth Proposals, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

March 12, hearing on the Administration's Fiscal Year 2004 Budget for the U.S. Department of Labor, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, March 12, executive, hearing on the Director of the CIA Overview, 2:30 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

March 13, Subcommittee on Intelligence Policy and National Security, executive, briefing on Hot Spots, 8:30 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

March 13, Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence, executive, hearing on Future Imagery Architecture Program, 1 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Meetings*: March 12, Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine a legislative presentation of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 10 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

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*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

2 p.m., Monday, March 10

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12 noon, Monday, March 10

## Senate Chamber

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## House Chamber

**Program for Monday:** Pro forma session.

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